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### **Bryan Gabbert – Assistant Director**

I would like to once again say thanks for the chance to be involved with such a great group of people. It's an honor to be able to serve in a long line of excellent officers that the Corpus Christi H.O.G. Chapter has had over the years. I'm a person that likes to keep to himself but always tend to gravitate towards a leadership role in the various groups that we have been involved in. It wasn't for the want of any kind of power but for the desire to help. Whether it's been Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Booster clubs or the H.O.G. Chapter, I want to be the person that can be depended upon.

I've only been riding for about 6 years now. I asked "permission" for my first bike on Mother's Day in 2011 and have been rolling ever since. I was not a member of the H.O.G. Chapter until the 3rd bike and since that time we have managed our calendars around H.O.G. events and rides. We love it! Ok, enough about me. After becoming the Assistant Director of the Corpus Christi H.O.G. Chapter I was thinking to myself what I could do to help the Chapter. I had been hearing about how the membership for the chapter has been decreasing now for the last few years and decided to make that my "one thing" this year, I want to try and increase membership for our Chapter.

Some of the efforts that we've instituted to help get some H.O.G. visibility out there have been focused in the *Continued on Page 2* 

lounge area of the Corpus Christi Harley dealership. If you have not been in there recently the Chapter now has a dedicated bulletin board set up for H.O.G. event information. There are also some new membership forms and current Chapter calendars available on the board. We have the Primary Officers contact information up there if you need to get in touch with one of us. Sherrie also has some Ladies or Harley information posted with her contact information.

Another new addition to the lounge is taking place on the closed circuit TV in the lounge. While sitting there eating a donut and relaxing look at the TV and you will notice some of our H.O.G. pictures scrolling. The hope here is to draw attention to all the places we ride and the terrific people we ride with. These pictures will be changed out on some interval with fresh ones.



Something else that I've been doing has been commenting with a link to the Corpus Christi H.O.G. Facebook page on the Facebook posts that the dealership does with new bike buyers. I'm doing this with the hopes that the various information, pictures of the rides, events and people will stir enough interest to have someone come join us for a ride or join the Chapter.

I'm challenging all of you now. Most of us know riders who are not members of the Chapter. Why not invite them to a lunch or breakfast ride or even to the next Chapter meeting. As it was with me a few years back and I'm sure a few of you, I found out about the H.O.G. chapter due to an invite by a friend.

So hopefully with some focused effort on recruiting new membership we can maintain or increase our current member count to help keep this great organization running for years to come.

Be safe out there and Ride It Like You Stole It!

Thanks, Bryan

A good rider has balance, judgment, and good timing. Respect the person who has seen the dark side of motorcycling and lived to talk about it.

Young riders pick a destination and go... Old riders pick a direction and go.



### 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Jim Clark Memorial Mileage Contest

The 4th Quarter Jim Clark Memorial Mileage Contest had 13 members turn in their mileage and was won by Bryan & Sherrie Gabbert with 5,400 miles. Bryan & Sherrie were presented with the 4th quarter patch and will receive a tee shirt from Preston Douglass and CCHD. The runners up were Louis Kubala with 8,806 miles (not eligible to win having won the 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr. Contest), Richard Smith with 5,234 miles, David Benoist with 3,840 miles, Rickey & Connie Thielen with 3,551 miles, Julian & Diana Gaona with 3,382 miles, Eric Thomas with 3,149 miles, Sabas Cavazos with 2,716 miles, Chad Hammer with 2,118 miles, Marshall Lester with 1,925 miles, Renato Perez with 1,769 miles, Santos Juarez with 1,152 miles, and John & Julie Lackey with 759 miles. Total mileage for the year for those that have turned in their mileage is 300,720 miles.

Rickey Thielen won the consolation drawing for the runners up and received a shirt from Preston Douglass and CCHD.

There are two ways to win each quarter. One way is to have the highest outright mileage for the quarter. The other way is to win the runners up consolation drawing from the remaining eligible participants for the quarter. Those who have won in either category during the course of the year are not eligible to win again in that category for the remainder of the year.

Thanks to all who participated and congratulations to Bryan & Sherrie Gabbert for their high mileage for the 4th quarter and to Rickey Thielen as the consolation drawing winner.



Happy Birthday and Many More.....

#### <u>April</u>

- 4 Robert Alaniz
- 13 Mike Quintanilla
- 24 Cheryl Sitzler
- 25 Richard Fibish
- 28 Robert Calhoun

#### May

- 6 Bill Wilson
- 10 Ronald Hildreth
- 10 Carl Tabor
- 13 Julian Gaona
- 15 Dan Robinson
- 18 Preston Douglass
- 27 Harry Pearrell
- 31 Catherine Stein

#### <u>June</u>

- 3 Sylvia Rodriquez
- 5 Tom Mason
- 10 Raul Guzman
- 13 Tim Miller
- 25 Rick Hunter



### Happy Wedding Anniversary

#### <u>April</u>

- 13 Robert & Maria Alaniz
- 21 Preston & Kate Douglass
- 26 Carl & Cheryl Sitzler

May
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- 6 Jeff & Elizabeth Ruble
- 10 Robert & Greer Calhoun
- 16 Bobby & Janie Mendez
- 20 Bill & Dana Wilson

#### June

- 2 Marin & Leonor Villarreal
- 5 Michael & Marie Powell
- 8 Rodney & Annette Nelson
- 21 Chad & Debbie Crinzi
- 23 Tom & Patty Estes
- 30 Bill & Mary Gulasey

### Welcome New Members:

Belinda Canales, Chad Crinzi, Robert Garcia, Jr., William "Bill" Gulasey, Tim Miller, Harry Pearrell, Eustacio Saucedo, Jr., Cynthia Ybarra, Jesse Ybarra III

Welcome to the Corpus Christi H.O.G. Chapter family and we look forward to riding with you!



**Top 25 Chapter Ride/Meeting Participation through 3/31/17** 

Marshall Lester	(1)	Louis Kubala	(T7)
Sid Blalack	(1) (2)	John Fitzgerald	(T8)
Eric Thomas	(2) $(3)$	Earl Koester	(T8)
David Benoist	(T4)	Cyndi Robinson	(T8)
Bryan Gabbert	(T4)	Dan Robinson	(T8)
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Sherrie Gabbert	(T4)	John Mathewson	(T9)
Julian Gaona	(T5)	Carl Sitzler	(T9)
<b>Richard Smith</b>	(T5)	Cheryl Sitzler	(T9)
Rickey Thielen	(T5)	Connie Thielen	(T9)
Peggy Benoist	(T6)	Rebecca Madison	(10)
Diana Gaona	(T6)	Rick Hunter	(11)
Linda Benavides	(T7)	Sabas Cavazos	(12)
Raul Guzman	(T7)		



### National H.O.G. Mileage Recognition

The National H.O.G. Mileage Recognition program has been in existence since 1995.

Many of our local members participate in this program. The following are members who have attained an award milestone since the 4th quarter 2016 V-Twin newsletter was published. Those listed below are only those who turned in their mileages at Corpus Christi Harley-Davidson. If you mailed or sent yours directly to Milwaukee or recorded the mileage at another dealership, you will not be listed. If we missed you for any reason, we apologize.

If you are not enrolled in the H.O.G. Mileage Recognition program please visit with the receptionist at Corpus Christi Harley-Davidson soon and she will help get you enrolled. Mileages can be accumulated for as long as you are a H.O.G. member and on multiple H-D motorcycles. The main thing to remember is that the mileages cannot be reported retroactively, so the sooner you enroll the more miles you can accumulate. Patches, pins and achievement rockers for reaching key milestones are a benefit of being a participating H.O.G. member just for doing what you already love...... riding.

Robert Sollars Eric Thomas Bryan Gabbert Marshall Lester 5,000 Miles 60,000 Miles 80,000 Miles 80,000 Miles

Sherrie Gabbert80,Richard Smith175Louis Kubala300

80,000 Miles 175,000 Miles 300,000 Miles

#### Congratulations to these Corpus Christi H.O.G. members for their impressive accomplishments!



### Secretary Report – Rickey Thielen

The Corpus Christi H.O.G. Chapter membership count was 89 members as of March 31, 2017. Please remember to maintain your National H.O.G. membership, which must be kept current, to be a Corpus Christi H.O.G. Chapter member. An expired membership at the National H.O.G. level automatically terminates local chapter membership.

#### Article VI of the H.O.G. Charter relating to Membership states:

All Harley Owners Group<sup>®</sup> members may join any affiliated chapter. An expired membership in H.O.G. automatically terminates local Chapter membership. It shall be the responsibility of each local Chapter to ensure that Chapter members are current H.O.G. members and to maintain on file in the Chapter records a signed copy of the annual Chapter Membership Enrollment form and Release of each Chapter member. It shall be the responsibility of any person applying for, or renewing, membership in a local Chapter to provide proof of his or her National membership as a condition of eligibility for membership.



### **Treasurer's Report**

Cyndi Robinson, Chapter Treasurer, reports that as of April 3, 2017 the Chapter bank balance was \$1,787.18.

# **In Memory**

### Corpus Christi H.O.G. Chapter Member

Anthony Gray "Tony" Tedesco 7/9/49 – 1/23/17







### 2017 ABC's of Touring

The 2017 ABC's of Touring season began on January 1, 2017. The ABC's of Touring is an alphabetical "scavenger hunt" for you and your Harley-Davidson motorcycle. You earn points and win prizes by collecting photos of yourself, your motorcycle, "official signs" starting with letters of the alphabet A-Z. Another way of thinking about this is that it is an opportunity to get out and ride your motorcycle while seeing new areas of the country.

Any Full or Associate H.O.G. member from the U.S. or Canada may enter. Entries must be individually submitted, and multiple entries cannot be combined on one entry form. Only one entry per H.O.G. member will be allowed. All digital photos submitted become the property of the Harley-Davidson Motor Company, may be used in publications, promotions and other Company purposes. No exceptions will be made to the guidelines and Harley-Davidson has the final decision if there is a dispute. Individuals participate at their own risk. Do not break the law or endanger yourself or others when taking photos.

All photos must be submitted online at <u>www.hog.com/abc</u>. Photo formats accepted are .jpg, .gif, .png. Each photo must not exceed 5MB in size. Images must be clear and names/signs must be legible in submitted photos. Photos that are blurred, fuzzy, illegible, or unrecognizable will not receive points. Photos may be used for multiple categories by uploading the same photo for each category. Dealership photos used for city, state and province point may be used. Please upload the same photo for each category.

Your Harley-Davidson motorcycle must be in each photo and a Harley-Davidson Authorized Rental motorcycle is also acceptable. A 2017 H.O.G. magazine or the 2017 H.O.G. Touring Handbook must be in each picture. You, the entrant, must be in at least five photos. An "official sign" must also be in each photo and can be a government building with the name of the city, village, town, county, state, territory, or country on it. An example of a government building is a post office, city hall or police station. Examples of items that would not count as a government building are libraries, vehicles, schools, water towers, and museums. An authorized Harley-Davidson dealership may be used to designate a city, state, or province and may also be used to obtain up to 10 H-D dealer points but the dealership name must be visible on the building or sign. The first letter of the physical location (town, village, city or town) is what you can take credit for and the name of the city and state of the dealership must be included in your description before submitting. A sign posted by a government body must be physically located within the boundary of the place it identifies. Mileage markers and directional signs do not quality.

Photos may be used for multiple categories by uploading the same photo for each category. Dealership photos used for city, state and province points may be used. Please upload the same photo for each category. Points *Continued on Page 8* 

are collected worth one point each for each city, township or municipality sign from A-Z with a maximum of 26 points. One point for each county, parish or district sign from A-Z and the word county, parish or district or the abbreviation equivalent must be on the sign for a maximum of 26 points. One point for each US state with a maximum of 50 points. One point for each country (don't forget the United States counts too!). One point permitted for each Canadian province and territory for a maximum of 13 points. One point for each U.S. National Forest sign and the words "National Forest" must be on the sign for a maximum of 5 points. One point for each U.S. National Service (NPS) managed site and for each National Park or Provincial Park in Canada. The NPS logo with the name and/or the name of the park, historical site, lakeshore, monument, etc. as well as the words "National" or "Provincial" must be on the sign for a maximum of 5 points. Visit www.nps.gov for U.S. parks and www.pc.gc.ca for Canadian parks. One point for each individual Harley-Davidson dealer for a maximum of 10 points. Dealer photos can be used for cities, states and province points but a separate photo must be included for each point. Canadian Provincial/Regional and U.S. H.O.G. Rallies or H.O.G. Pin Stops as listed on www.hog.com/events. The rally photo must clearly show you (the entrant) and an official rally banner or a national Harley-Davidson staff member. H.O.G. rally event banners may not always be accessible with your motorcycle. In that case a photo of you, the entrant, at the location and holding a 2017 H.O.G. magazine or the 2017 H.O.G. Touring Handbook will be accepted. This is the only situation that does not require your motorcycle in the picture. Two points for each 2017 International Rally (outside the country you reside) that is listed as the National Rally for that country. Two points for each 2017 US H.O.G. Rally or Canadian Provincial/Regional H.O.G. Rally. One point for each 2017 US or Canadian H.O.G. Pin Stop. Two points for each Harley-Davidson Motor Company facility - Juneau Avenue Headquarters in Milwaukee, WI., Pilgrim Road Operations in Menomonee Falls, WI., York Vehicle Operations in York, PA., Kansas City Operations in Kansas City, MO., Tomahawk Operations in Tomahawk, WI. and two points for the Harley-Davidson Museum in Milwaukee, WI.

2017 prizes are:

- First Place \$1,500 Harley-Davidson Gift Card; \$75 Norscot Gift Card for exclusive H.O.G. Merchandise; 1<sup>st</sup> Place Plaque + Recognition at the Haley-Davidson Museum, H.O.G. Magazine and H.O.G. Insider.
- Second Place \$1,000 Harley-Davidson Gift Card; \$50 Norscot Gift Card for exclusive H.O.G. Merchandise; 2nd Place Plaque + Recognition at the Haley-Davidson Museum, H.O.G. Magazine and H.O.G. Insider.
- Third Place \$500 Harley-Davidson Gift Card; \$25 Norscot Gift Card for exclusive H.O.G. Merchandise; 3rd Place Plaque + Recognition at the Haley-Davidson Museum, H.O.G. Magazine and H.O.G. Insider.
- 100 points or more ABCs pin, patch, \$50 Norscot Gift Card for exclusive H.O.G. Merchandise.
- 51 to 99 points ABCs pin, patch, \$25 Norscot Gift Card for exclusive H.O.G. Merchandise.
- 5 to 50 points ABCs pin, patch

Submissions must be submitted online at <u>www.hog.com/abc</u>. One photo must be included for each point you are submitting. All entries must be submitted online no later than December 31, 2017. The decisions of the judges are final. Prizes are subject to change.

# Chapter Ride Policy Reminder - All Chapter rides officially end in the parking lot of our destination with kick stands down.

Show Your Support - Get the Corpus Christi H.O.G. Chapter Colors. Wear Them Proudly When You Ride.



### **Official Riding Club of Harley-Davidson - The Future**

By JT Hasley, Regional H.O.G. Manager

As Harley Owners Group is the Official Riding Club of Harley-Davidson, the Motor Company is investing in the future of H.O.G. The philosophy has not changed, we ride, we have fun and we are darn good at it. Together we continue the strong relationship between H-D Dealers, H-D Owners, H.O.G. chapters, rally teams and the Motor Company. As strong of a relationship today and continue building into the future.

I am certain you have followed the evolution of H.O.G. rallies in past issues this year. Evolution isn't just in this area. How members and chapters stay connected via HOG.com is evolving. A new H.O.G. program system is being introduced on HOG.com. Have you been out and logged into HOG.com lately? Have you noticed the new look? If you have been there, then read on. If you have seen the new look, continue to read on. Handling your chapter or membership business online just got easier.

The new system includes new digital functionality for each H.O.G. member. This includes the ability for all global users to view their Mileage Program submissions or register into the program. Dealers will have the ability to enter member's mileage program miles digitally. Now just go to your dealership and get it handled! All global members will be able to register for a H.O.G. Rallies or H.O.G. Officer Training through HOG.com. How about that!

Effectively performing chapter business tasks such as; Verifying National memberships, adding or removing members from the chapter or view chapter information is going to be simpler. Sounds pretty good doesn't it.

We aren't done either. Finding H.O.G. Events around the world will become easier. No more copy and paste, no more searching the internet, all can be found on one page. You can access every H.O.G. Rally, Pin Stop or other H.O.G. events from one page. Yes that's right, go to the individual rally and onto the event website with one click. And another click lets you register for the rally or rallies of your choice. Please note that rally information is always being updated; visit often so you will be in the know what is going on in the H.O.G. World and where the ride takes you next.

There will online training available soon to assist you with these new technology upgrades, so stay tuned to HOG.com.

A lot is happening in H.O.G. that will look different, but remember our philosophy of Riding, Having Fun and enjoying the ride together will never change.

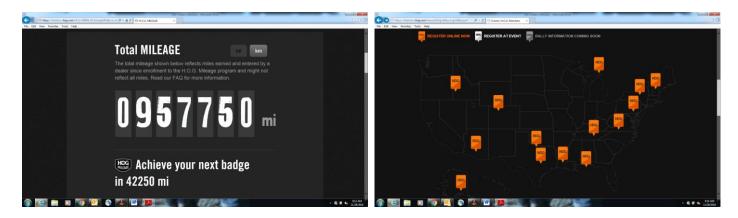
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Time to ride, see you on the road!

JT

Below are some screen shots of what you'll see that is new!

Check your next level in the H.O.G. Mileage Program. In your benefits section of your profile (shown below on the left). Check into your 2017 H.O.G. Rally adventures under the H.O.G. Rallies tab (shown below on right).



### **Peace of Mind**

By Bryan Gabbert

After witnessing an accident and seeing how hard it can be to get in touch with family members, I decided I wanted to help myself if I was ever the "Patient" and what I found was a company called Road ID. This company offers wearable badges that contain your name, address, ICE contacts and phone numbers. If you elect to have the interactive version of the badge, it includes a phone number and web address to Road ID that allows first responders access to information that you provide on a website. This is done via a pin number and serial number located on the back of the badge. The information on the website can contain additional contacts, medical history, blood type, etc. The possibilities are endless as to what you put in your profile for first responders to have access to.

Per the Road ID website:

The Top 10 reasons you should wear ID:

- 1. If you can't speak for yourself, Road ID will speak for you.
- 2. Road ID enables First Responders to immediately contact family members and friends.
- 3. Road ID enables family members to provide additional details about your health or give consent for potentially lifesaving procedures.
- 4. Road ID enables hospital staff to locate vital medical records.
- 5. Road ID can communicate medical conditions or allergy information to medical staff.
- 6. Road ID can prevent serious delays in treatment by saving crucial time during the "golden hour" of medical treatment.
- 7. It's far better to have Road ID and not need it than to need Road ID and not have it. It's not just a piece of gear, its peace of mind.

- 8. Accidents happen far more than you think they do. Each year approximately 450,000 of us are taken to hospitals unconscious and without identification.
- 9. Road ID looks good on and makes a statement about your athletic lifestyle not to mention that studies would probably prove that people that wear Road ID are considerably smarter than those that don't.
- 10. Road ID can save your Life. Period.



So, for roughly \$30 (and a \$10 yearly membership if you get the interactive version) you can buy yourself some peace of mind that your loved ones can be notified if you're unable to do that yourself.



### A Look in the Rear View Mirror

A look back at some events & happenings that took place in the 1st quarter of years past:

#### One Year Ago (2016):

- 1st quarter mileage contest won by Louis Kubala with 13,026 miles and Bryan & Sherrie Gabbert won the consolation drawing
- Jim Clark Memorial Hair of the Dog Breakfast Ride on 1/1 to La Cabana Restaurant in Gregory (17), if you count Jim in spirit.
- Chapter Meeting at Silverado Smokehouse on 2/1 with 39 members in attendance.
- New members noted in the 1st quarter V-Twin Tales were Marcos Dominguez, Richard Fibish, Robert Gonzalez, David Hilarides, Ronald Hildreth, Charles Lambert, Brian McDevitt, Carlos Mota and Yolanda Mota

#### Five Years Ago (2012):

- 1st quarter mileage contest won by Rick Lyon with 9,965 miles and Steve McLaughlin won the consolation drawing.
- Hair of the Dog Ride on 1/1 to Golden Corral with 28 members.
- Chapter Meeting on 2/6 with 48 in attendance. Charles Smith won the charity drawing (CC Food Bank) and Tony Garcia won the 50/50 drawing for \$76.50.
- LOH Bake Sale at CCHD on 3/3 raises \$673
- LOH Breakfast Ride to Ramsey's Restaurant in Victoria on 3/4 with 28 members

- Road Captain Training at CCHD with 13 in attendance
- H.O.G. Officers Training in Mobile, Alabama on 3/15-17/12 attended by Billy Fultz, Dennis & Linda Lugg, Dan & Cyndi Robinson and Rickey & Connie Thielen
- New members noted in the 1st quarter V-Twin Tales were Albert Acosta, Harry Anthony, Merced Cervantes, Juan Flores, James R. Galligan, Jr., John Lackey, Julie Lackey, David Landry, Ernest C. Moreno, Ramon "Ray" Ramos, Charles R. Smith

### Ten Years Ago (2007):

- 1st quarter mileage contest won by Bill Chabot with 5,991 miles and Mike Quintanilla won the consolation drawing.
- Hair of the Dog Ride Breakfast Ride followed by the Jimmy Carlock Poker run on 1/1 after ride to breakfast with 19 members.
- Chapter challenged to the "Million Mile Challenge" to collectively get 1,000,000 miles as a chapter during the year.
- Chapter meeting at Brewster's Street Ice House on 2/5 with 71 in attendance.
- Ladies of Harley put on annual "Sweets for Your Sweetheart" auction and raised \$514 for the chapter.
- St. Valentines Massacre Rally in Boerne on 2/16-2/18
- Chapter ride to view the movie "Wild H.O.G.s" and dinner afterward on 3/10 with 21 members
- Andy & Glenda Felkner attend Primary Officers Training in Las Vegas, NV on 3/15- 3/17. Over 1,000 in attendance.

#### Fifteen Years Ago (2002):

- 4th quarter mileage contest won by Gary Hickok with 5,306 miles
- Hair of the Dog Ride to the Empresario Restaurant in Goliad for breakfast followed by the Jimmy Carlock Poker run 13 bikes.
- 1st Quarter Chapter meeting held at Joe Cotten's BBQ in Robstown on 1/15 with 60 members in attendance.
- Dues become \$24 for new members and \$18 for renewing members
- Rey Salinas Develops New Member Brochure
- Chapter ride to St. Valentine's Day Massacre Rally in Boerne on 2/15-16
- Primary Officers attend POT in Austin on 3/22-23 attended by four officers and Preston Douglass. No chapter members have ever attend Primary Officers Training
- Chapter officers attend the Texas State Rally Selection meeting in Austin. Tyler chapter bid for the 2003 state H.O.G. rally and was approved by those in attendance.
- Lunch with RGV Chapter in Kingsville with 25 bikes
- 2nd Quarter Chapter meeting held at Jalisco Mexican Restaurant on 4/2. Chapter Charter changed to reflect the requirement to run for Director that the person must have attended 6 chapter meetings or events in the calendar year prior to an election meeting.

#### Twenty Years Ago (1997):

- 1st quarter mileage contest won by Jim Clark with 9,035 miles.
- January 1997 State Rally Committee: Coordinator Dick Hines; Treasurer Lynda Daniell; Secretary Pearlie Jo Valadez; Registration Robb Einhaus; Site Earl McCown; Events Dave Resendez

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- February Mark Gattis replaces Dave Resendez as Events Coordinator for State Rally
- Ride to Shoreline Rehab center, Taft in March

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## Annual CC H.O.G. Chapter Texas POI Contest

This year's POI (Points of Interest) Contest will be the 5<sup>th</sup> annual opportunity that this event has been offered. Bryan & Sherrie Gabbert have put together another challenging event for our members. This will require getting out and riding to 40 different points throughout Texas to get a picture of the POI. Requirements will be that your Harley-Davidson motorcycle, the POI and a copy of a 2017 H.O.G. magazine or the 2017 H.O.G. Touring Handbook be in the picture. You can be in the picture but this is not a requirement for those that participate on their own.

The contest will run from Monday, February 13, 2017 until Monday, July 13, 2017. This should give everyone enough time to get as many points as possible while being able to start before the temperatures get too hot. The contest will consist of five categories being The Last Picture Show, Texas Roadside Oddities, Texas History 101, Drug Store Cowboy and Bless Your Heart.

#### **Official Rules and Guidelines**

#### 1. **Time Frame**

The challenge will run from <u>Monday, February 13, 2017</u> until <u>Monday, July 31, 2017</u>. All submissions must be made to the receptionist at Corpus Christi H-D or submitted digitally to Sherrie Gabbert no later than close of business Tuesday, <u>August 1, 2017</u>.

#### 2. **Participation**

- All current CC H.O.G. members in good standing. Entries must be submitted individually. Multiple entries cannot be combined into one entry form.
- Only one entry per CC H.O.G. member.
- In the interest of fairness, no exceptions will be made to the Guidelines.
- Individuals participate at their own risk. CC H.O.G. and Corpus Christi Harley-Davidson assume no liability. Do not break the law or endanger yourself or others when taking photos.

#### 3. **Prizes**

- 5-9 POIs 100 Rider Rewards points
- 10-19 POIs 250 Rider Reward points
- 20-29 POIs 500 Rider Rewards points
- 30-39 POIs 1000 Rider Rewards points
- 40 POIs 2500 Rider Rewards points

<u>Gift Card Drawing</u>: Must collect a <u>minimum of 25 POI's</u> to be entered into the gift card drawing. If <u>all 40</u> <u>POI's</u> are turned in on time and correct then you will be entered into the gift card drawings <u>TWICE</u>! However, once your name is drawn you are ineligible for any further drawings for the 2017 drawing.

- 1st Prize \$500.00 CC H-D gift card
- 2nd Prize \$250.00 CC H-D gift card
- 3rd Prize \$100 CC H-D gift card

#### 4. **Photo Formats**

• Regardless of how pictures are taken, prints or photos printed from a computer printer may be submitted, digital photo files will also accepted on a CD or thumb drive or email the digital photos to Sherrie Gabbert.

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• NOTE: Images must be clear and individual and POIs must be legible in submitted photos. Photos that are blurred, fuzzy, illegible or unrecognizable will not count. One unique photo per POI.

#### 5. Photo Elements

- The POI
- Your Harley-Davidson motorcycle
- The cover of a 2017 H.O.G.® magazine or the 2017 H.O.G. Touring Handbook
- Optionally you, if you can get yourself in the picture but not mandatory.

#### 6. Submitting your entry

- Submissions must include the POI form with checkmarks by your entries.
- All photos should be unbound and not in a photo album, digital photo files will also accepted on a CD or thumb drive or email the digital photos to Sherrie Gabbert.
- One photo must be included for each POI visited.
- Please submit your photos in the same order as the POI form.
- All submissions should be made to the Receptionist at Corpus Christi HD or emailed to Sherrie Gabbert no later than August 1, 2017.
- All decisions by the POI review committee are final





### 2017 H.O.G. Rally Schedule

#### RALLY NAME

Deep South H.O.G. Rally Southwest H.O.G. Rally Merging Mountains H.O.G. Rally Rocky Mountain H.O.G. Rally Southern Exposure (riding rally) Last Frontier H.O.G. Rally Lewis & Clark Touring Rally Southern Backroad's H.O.G. Rally

#### **CITY/LOCATION**

Alexandria, LA Temple, TX Roanoke, VA Steam Boat Springs, CO North Carolina to Florida Fairbanks, AK Portland, OR Cookeville, TN *Continued on Page 15* 

#### **DATES**

April 6-8, 2017 May 18-20, 2017 June 7-10, 2017 June 7-10, 2017 June 16-21, 2017 June 22-24, 2017 July 10-21, 2017 July 11-15, 2017 H.O.G. Revolution Rally Utica, NY July 13-15, 2017 Pacific Northwest H.O.G. Rally Meridian. ID July 20-22, 2017 H.O.G. Iron Adventure of New England Lincoln, NH July 27-29, 2017 Great Lakes H.O.G. Rally Saulte Ste Marie, MI August 17-19, 2017 H.O.G. Rally in the Valley Grantville, PA August 17-19, 2017 H.O.G. National Rally Milwaukee, WI August 30-31, 2017 H.O.G. National Rally Milwaukee, WI (continued) September 1-3, 2017 Western H.O.G. Rally Chandler. AZ September 14-16, 2017 October 5-7, 2017 Central H.O.G. Rally Ardmore, OK Kahului, Maui, Hawaii Hawaiian Islands H.O.G. Rally October 13-15, 2017 Southeast H.O.G. Rally Pensacola, FL November 1-4, 2017

### 2017 H.O.G. Pin Stop Schedule

#### Name/Event

Laughlin River Run Thunder Beach Spring Rally Myrtle Beach Bike Week Ohio Bike Week **Rolling Thunder** Laconia Motorcycle Week Springfield Mile Race HHRA Mopar Nationals National Bikers Round Up Sturgis Motorcycle Rally Kansas City Powertrain Open House Tomahawk Operations Open House Bikes, Blues & BBQ Street Vibrations Fall Rally York Powertrain Open House Biketoberfest Lone Star Rally

#### **CORPUS CHRISTI HOG CHAPTER** Gamblers Run April 21st-23rd



LEAVING 4-21-17 AT 8AM FROM WHATABURGER BY CCHD

#### **City/Location**

Laughlin, NV. Panama City, FL. Myrtle Beach, SC. Sandusky, OH. Washington, DC. Loudon, NH. Springfield, IL. Denver, CO. Kansas. MO. Sturgis, SD. Kansas City, MO. Tomahawk. WI. Fayetteville, AR. Reno. NV. York, PA. Daytona Beach, FL. Galveston, TX.

#### Dates

April 26-29, 2017 May 3-6, 2017 May 12-20, 2017 May 26-29, 2017 May 27-28, 2017 June 12-17, 2017 June 27, 2017 July 21-23, 2017 August 3-5, 2017 August 5-12, 2017 August 25-26, 2017 September 15, 2017 September 20-23, 2017 September 28-30, 2017 September 28-30, 2017 October 19-21, 2017 November 2-5, 2017





### H.O.G. Officer Training

Each year H.O.G. offers training for H.O.G. Chapter officers from across the Unites States with typically four locations to pick from. This year's locations were Schaumburg, Illinois on February 10-11 at the Renaissance Schaumburg Convention Center Hotel; Myrtle Beach, South Carolina on February 17-18 at the Sheraton Myrtle Beach Convention Center Hotel; Albuquerque, New Mexico on March 24-25 at the Albuquerque Convention Center; or Buffalo, New York on April 7-8 at the Buffalo Niagara Convention Center.

The officers this year chose the location in Albuquerque, New Mexico because it was the closest and was also most weather friendly location for being able to ride to the event. Preston Douglass, Bryan & Sherrie Gabbert and Rickey Thielen accompanied by Connie Thielen all rode to the training each taking different routes to get there. There were also several officers from the Laredo Chapter in attendance.

This year's theme was "No Boundaries" meaning remove anything that the chapter does that does not promote our ultimate goal of "Riding and Having Fun". The two day training was attended by several hundred H.O.G. members from all over the United States including some from Alaska and Hawaii. Classes offered included risk management, finances, chapter relations, dealing with difficult situations, group riding, social media and much more. There was also time on both days to get together with other chapter officers on different subjects in a setting to bring up questions and get answers to whatever issues they needed help with. Instructors come from varying backgrounds and many come back year after year to give up their time in helping chapter officers deal with running their chapters.

The speaker for the closing ceremonies on Saturday afternoon was Bill Davidson, son of Willie G. Davidson, and great-great grandson of one of the company's founding members William A. Davidson. He talked about how he started riding at the age of five and his perspective on what being a Davidson meant to him for all these years. It was a truly humbling experience hearing a first person account of a part of Harley-Davidson history.

### **February Chapter Meeting Minutes**

Corpus Christi H.O.G. Chapter - #5020 Chapter Meeting @ Silverado Smokehouse Monday, February 6, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Bryan Gabbert, Chapter Assistant Director, with 27 members in attendance. Director Daniel Barrientez was feeling ill this evening and could not make the meeting.

Bryan turned the meeting over to Jerry Olivarez, Chaplain, for the Chaplin's prayer. Jerry talked about Tony Tedesco who had recently passed away and said that Tony was a great guy. He talked about a possible ride to a church after one of our breakfast rides and the importance of getting close to the Lord. Jerry read an article about faith and said that Daniel was in the hospital due to his back going numb. He also mentioned that Cyndi Robinson will be having back surgery soon. Please keep them in your prayers.

Bryan asked if everyone had signed in and asked if anyone needed Chapter Charity or Chapter Donation drawing tickets. He asked if there were any new members in attendance and there were none. Bryan asked if there were any visitors and Phil & Mary were visiting from Minnesota. They ride a 2017 Limited.

Bryan said that Chapter membership has been declining for years and although we have many long time members we need to get some new blood into the Chapter. One option for our past members is to invite them to come back. Bryan said that Preston is going to allow the Chapter to show some of our photos, including the officers, on the closed circuit TV in the customer lounge at CCHD. There is also an indentation in the wall near the table in the lounge that will become the Chapter bulletin board. We are looking to extent friendship to new bike buyers and encourage them to join the Chapter to ride with us. The salesmen will be handing out Chapter information and help us get the information out to new and used bike buyers.

Linda Benavides asked about giving a local membership to new bikes buyers. Preston said that he had tried that and giving a 10% discount but then they would never show up for any of the Chapter rides. Our same members show up over and over. Preston said that previous Directors like Steve Wilder and Road Captain A'lana Welch tried many different things to get better participation to no avail and Preston would send of thank you letters. HD pays for a new bike buyers National H.O.G. membership and Preston currently pays for the same for the used bike buyers. Some issues Preston sees with new bike buyers is (1) they are thinking "how am I going to afford this purchase" (2) should I have spent the extra money for a service plan and finally (3) all they want to do is ride. Something Preston is considering is inviting new bike buyers to join him at the shop and ride to a Chapter meeting led by Preston. He feels that someone just needs to take their hand and lead them to a meeting. If you have any ideas on how to promote membership get with Preston or any of the Chapter officers.

There was a discussion of what charity to support for 2017. Halo Flight was mentioned along with the Salvation Army, the Women's Shelter and the ARK Assessment Center for kids. After some discussion the ARK was voted as the 2017 Chapter charity. There were additional discussions about the importance of having an individual membership for Halo Flight was talked about and John Lackey has information on this. Frank Poland said that his helicopter ambulance bill after his accident was \$60,000 and he had put off spending \$25 for a Halo Flight yearly membership.

Rickey Thielen said that the Chapter currently had 78 members. He then read the member birthdays and anniversaries for February and March.

Cyndi Robinson, Treasurer, reported the starting Chapter bank balance as of November 30, 2016 was \$1,665.07 with December income of \$454.00 from dues/Chapter Donations less expenses of \$1,285.25 for the Christmas Party for a year ending balance of \$833.82. January 2017 there were additional costs from the Christmas Party for a January ending balance of \$491.36.

David then announced the results of the 4th Quarter 2016 Mileage Contest, which was won by Bryan & Sherrie Gabbert with 5,400 miles. Bryan & Sherrie received the 4th Quarter Mileage Contest patch and a shirt from Preston Douglass and CCHD. The runners up were Louis Kubala 8,806 miles (not eligible having won the 1st Quarter 2016 contest), Richard Smith with 5,234 miles, David Benoist with 3,840 miles, Rickey & Connie *Continued on Page 18* 

Thielen with 3,551 miles, Julian & Diana Gaona with 3,382 miles, Eric Thomas with 3,149 miles, Sabas Cavazos with 2,716 miles, Chad Hammer with 2,118 miles, Marshall Lester with 1,925 miles, Renato Perez with 1,769 miles, Santos Juarez with 1,152 miles and John & Julie Lackey with 759 miles for a total of 43,801 miles for the quarter. Total mileage by our members for 2016 was 300,720 miles.

David conducted the drawing for the 4th Quarter 2016 Mileage Contest runners up and Rickey Thielen won a shirt from Preston Douglass and CCHD.

David also mentioned that the H-D Demo trailer will be at CCHD on March 17 & 18. Anyone wanting to help with the demo rides is welcome. It will be a long day but you get to ride different bikes and meet a lot of different personalities. Bryan mentioned that the Chapter will have a membership sign up table at the event.

Sherrie Gabbert, Activities Officer, said:

- The 2017 Chapter Points of Interest (POI) contest will be mailed out this weekend.
- The 1st Quarter events calendar has no CCHD events listed; you can get those from the receptionist.
- February 25 is the Polar Bear Poker at CCHD and also in Laredo at Laredo HD. There will be a lunch ride to Island Italian at 11:00 AM.
- March 4 is an all-day "Triple Treat" ride going to Orange Grove for breakfast, continuing on to Elroy for lunch and back to Corpus Christi for dinner at Bubbas 33.
- March 17 & 18 is the CCHD Anniversary Party along with the HD Demo trailer. There will be a dinner ride on March 18 to Blackbeard's in Ingleside leaving the shop at 6:00 PM.
- Friday, April 21 is a weekend ride to Coushatta in Kinder, Louisiana and we will be staying at the Best Western. We will leave at 8:00 AM on Friday from CCHD. There is a block of rooms under CC H.O.G. and Sherrie Gabbert's name.

Linda Benavides mentioned that the South Padre Island rally is February 17th and they will have a ride into Mexico. You will need to bring your passports if you plan ride into Mexico.

Eric Thomas, Safety Officer, gave a safety briefing. We have Road Captains that are responsible for providing safe rides. We ride in a staggered formation and riding in a group is different from riding by yourself. We need to maintain lane spacing and pass signals along to the other riders for making corrections or adjustments. Weather, road conditions, skill of the other riders should be kept in mind when riding. Common hand signals should be consistent and concise. Pay attention and keep your eyes open 4 seconds ahead and scan 12 seconds down the road.

Preston Douglass, Sponsor, said that the band that played at the grand opening of Laredo HD, a Heart tribute band, will be at CCHD on March 18 for the Anniversary Party. He talked about the Polar Bear Poker run on February 25. There will be no CCHD shop events in April. The Garage Party will be held once a year for women because the frequency of every month got old.

Richard Smith said that the Aunt Jo's BBQ parking lot for an upcoming lunch ride is very soft around back of the restaurant. Be prepared.

The Chapter charity drawing for the ARK, which brought in \$38, was won by John Fitzgerald and he will receive a gift from Preston Douglass and CCHD. The Chapter donation drawing brought in \$103.00 and was won by Eric Thomas who received \$51.50.

Bryan asked if there was any other business. Eric Thomas said that several members wanted to change the breakfast meeting location from the Shell Station in Portland to the new Sunoco Station at the corner of SPID & *Continued on Page 19* 

Old Brownsville Road. After some discussion it was put to a vote and the motion to move the location was confirmed by a split vote. The new location will be the Sunoco Station near CCHD and the departure time for the breakfast ride is still 8:00 AM.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM. Thanks to all those in attendance.

Respectfully submitted, Rickey Thielen – Secretary



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